Greenback Dollar
(Hoyt Axton/Ken Ramsey version)

Words & Music:
Unknown
(arr: Hoyt Axton & Ken Ramsey (1950s))

The Kingston Trio's cover of this version is probably its most famous.

Em                    G         Em                G
Some people say I'm a no-count, others say I'm no good,
   C7                      G
But I'm just a natural-born travelin' man,
D                         Em
Doin' what I think I should, oh yeah,
D                       Em
Doin' what I think I should.

CHORUS:
G            C            G            C
And I don't give a damn about a greenback dollar,
G            C            G
Spend it fast as I can,
C      G      C           G          C
For a wailin' song, and a good guitar,
D                           Em
The only thing that's I understand, Poor boy,
D                         Em
The only thing that I understand.

When I was a little babe, my mama said, "ey son,
Travel where you will, and grow to be a man,
And sing what must be sung, poor boy,
Sing what must be sung."

CHORUS:

Now that I'm a grown man, I've travelled here and there,
I've learned that a bottle of brandy and a song,
The only ones who ever cared, poor boy,
The only ones who ever cared

CHORUS: